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Serial No. 10/522,280  
Filed January 24, 2005  
Group Art Unit 1651  
Examiner Lora E. Barnhart  
For: NOVEL PROCEDURE FOR GROWTH, IMAGING, AND  
ENUMERATION OF MICROBIAL COLONIES FOR  
SEROLOGICAL OR SCREENING ASSAYS

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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**REPLY: AMENDMENT AND REMARKS**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 27, 2007, please enter the following amendment.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.